



## In other news

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### Lab supports local business through crowdfunding class

A recent crowdfunding course taught at the University of New Mexico-Los Alamos (UNM-LA) resulted in the continuation of a project designed to encourage people in Los Alamos to shop locally. The Lab's manager, Los Alamos National Security, LLC, provided a third of the project's funding.

The objective of the class was to help entrepreneurs learn how to get funding to launch their businesses. The object of the selected project, in turn, was to develop a video encouraging those who work and live in Los Alamos to support local businesses and the people who run them. The project, called iShop, had a goal of \$1,450 and raised \$1,451 with 16 contributors with \$500 of the funding provided by Los Alamos National Security, LLC.

The fundraising website was hosted by [Main Street Crowd](#) and the [Los Alamos Chamber of Commerce](#) was active in the class and its activities. The [UNM-LA](#) course was taught by Nickolas Seet.

## Science Cinema every Saturday at the Museum

Starting January, and continuing for the next several months, the Bradbury Science Museum in Los Alamos will show a variety of short videos on a wide range of science topics each Saturday from 10:30 to 11 a.m. Included in the series will be some subjects hosted by the well-known Bill Nye “The Science Guy.” Subjects covered so far included amphibians and archeology and upcoming talks will include subjects including microbes, aquifers and even addiction.

The intended audience for Science Cinema ranges from young children to adults, so check the weekly event for age appropriateness.

The museum's event calendar can be accessed [here](#).

## Lab wraps up successful giving programs for the year

As 2013 drew to a close, so did the Lab's annual giving campaigns. Among the successes of the programs were:

- More than \$2 million pledged during the Employee Giving Campaign. With the additional \$1 million contributed by Los Alamos National Security, LLC, the total donation comes to almost \$3 million.
- The Lab wrapped up its sixth year of LANL Laces. This program supplies children in 13 different schools with much-needed shoes. Payless Shoes, the Shoe Department, Cray Computer, Inc. and Lab employees help support this effort.
- Almost 1,000 holiday gifts were distributed last year to Northern New Mexico children and seniors through 19 partner agencies. Additional support came from the National Nuclear Security Administration's Los Alamos Field Office; Los Alamos National Security; LLC, Cray Computer, Inc.; Navarro Research and Engineering, Inc.; the Regional Development Corporation and Lab employees.
- The annual food drive collected more than 400 boxes of non-perishable food items and an additional 432 turkeys. Cray Computer and Lab employees contributed to these efforts.

For more information on the Lab's giving campaigns and drives, contact the Community Programs Office at (505) 665-4400.

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